August 26 intends that I shall Purchase Cattle Wheat and & yll please To send me a supply of Money and Instructions how to Proceed.

At the same Time your Excellency may rest assur'd that I shall use every Exertion in my Power to Expedite the Business

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## [Richd Dallam to Gov. Lee]

No. 26 Sir I shall be much obliged if your Excellency will inform me Letter whether I may expect immediate payment from the treasury for about four hundred pounds hard money on an order from Mr Wheeler on account of the purchase of Waggons &c

August 27 Red Book No. 26 Letter

## [Richd. Dallam to Gov. Lee]

No. 26 Sir I have sent Six recruits & Deserters p<sup>r</sup> Capt<sup>n</sup> Thompson Letter No. 80 hearing that the Troops were to be sent from Annapolis & having Little hopes of geting any more in a Short time & having much trouble with these Induced me to send them away.

## List of Soldiers sent p Cap<sup>n</sup> Thompson

John Collens, a recruit

Michael Daugherty, a recruit

James Obrian, a recruit (but twice deserted from Harford.

Thomas Hanan a Deserter sent to Annapolis by Cap<sup>t</sup> Praul & from thence deserted & again taken up & reenlisted on pretence of being discharged by the Council.

John Jones, a Deserter from Balt. Town, twice deserted Edw<sup>d</sup> Hawkins a Deserter from Annapolis James Fitzgeral a recruit, twice deserted from me.

August 28

## [J. Bolton, Chestertown, to Gov. Lee]

Sir The Butcher that furnishes me with meat for the Maryland add<sup>1</sup> Reg<sup>t</sup> recruiting here has not only sunk all his Money but his Credit too, & unless I get a supply of Money to pay him, he can supply me with no more, do therefore intreat you will convey me some Money to pay him.

The order you sent me on the Collector for £4000 as I wrote you before he can pay no part of till November, the Butcher tells me if he has to wait till then it will break him up.

Beside paying the Butcher, its necessary I should have some money to buy some Bacon, that when they have to March, they may have salt meat, as fresh will not keep sweet more than one day; if therefore you can send me one half of the sum now, it will serve for the present. the remainder will endeavour to do without till November